

DESPITE THEIR ABSENCE FROM THE SCENE, THE STARS OF THIS SAGA ARE MEMBERS OF...

THE SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS

YOUR GROVELING DISGUSTS ME, MANTIS--

--CEASE... AND FACE DEATH AS A GODLING SHOULD!

HAVE MERCY, GREAT DARKSEID-- I SWEAR MY UNDYING LOYALTY TO YOU...

...LET ME LIVE!

BUT FRET NOT, FELON-FANS-- THE WORLD'S STRANGEST SUPER-TEAM WILL BE ARRIVING BEFORE THE MUTINOUS MANTIS FALLS VICTIM TO THE BLACK RACER...

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...AND WITH THEIR APPEARANCE WILL COME THE...

ENDGAME!

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FEW THINGS STARTLE DARKSEID, GOD-LORD OF APOKOLIPS, BUT YOU ARE ABOUT TO WITNESS ONE OF THOSE FEW...



MANHUNTER--
AND MY FORMER
EARTHLY MINIONS!

AT LAST,
DARKSEID--
WE ARE FACE-
TO-FACE!



AWAY, RACER--
HAVE PATIENCE...

...AND
YOU SHALL
CLAIM MORE
THAN JUST ONE
VICTIM THIS DAY!



VICTIMS WHICH YOU
WILL SUPPLY, MANTIS--

--NOW! PROVE YOUR
LOYALTY TO DARKSEID
BY DESTROYING THE
SUPER-VILLAINS!

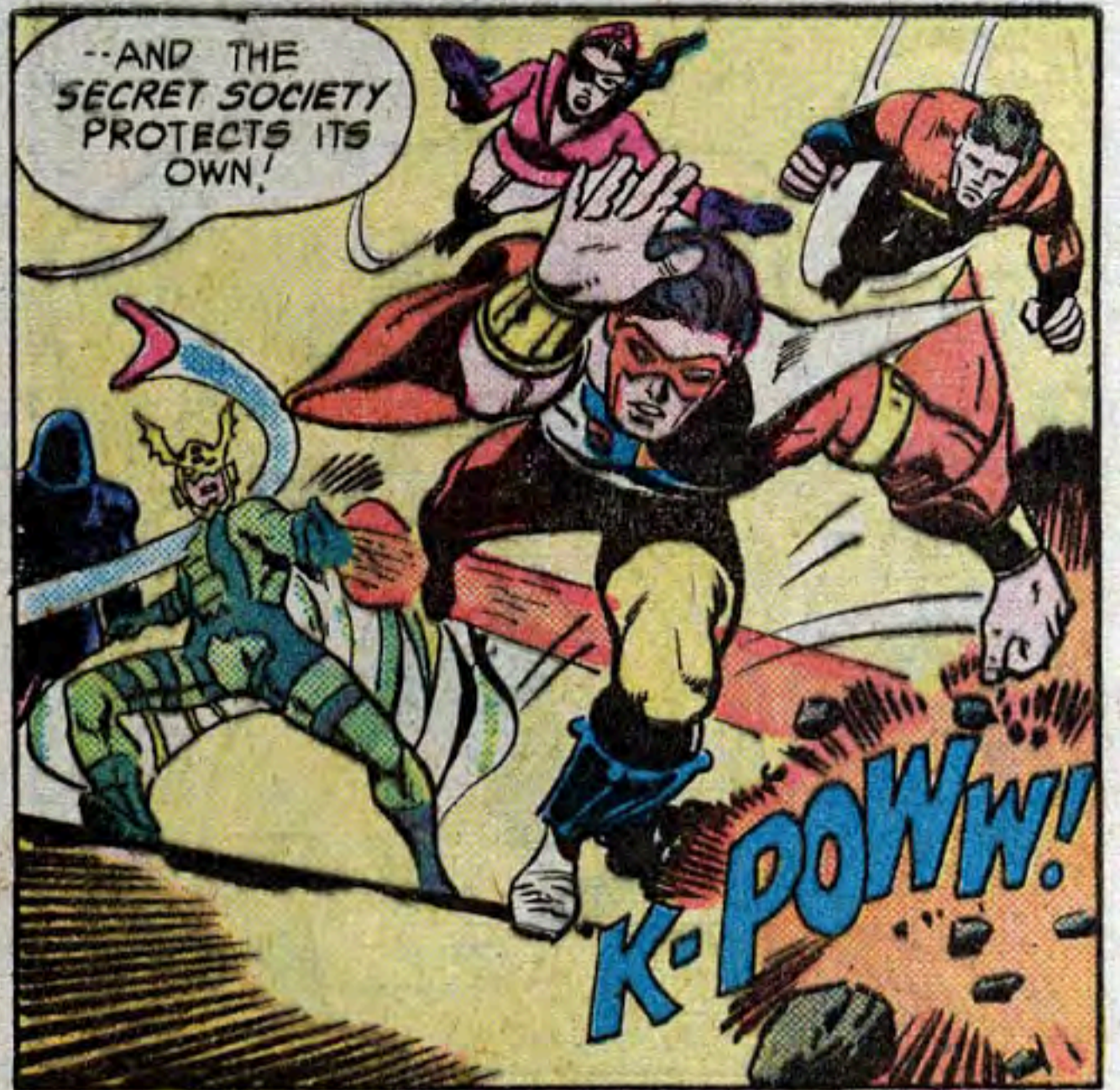


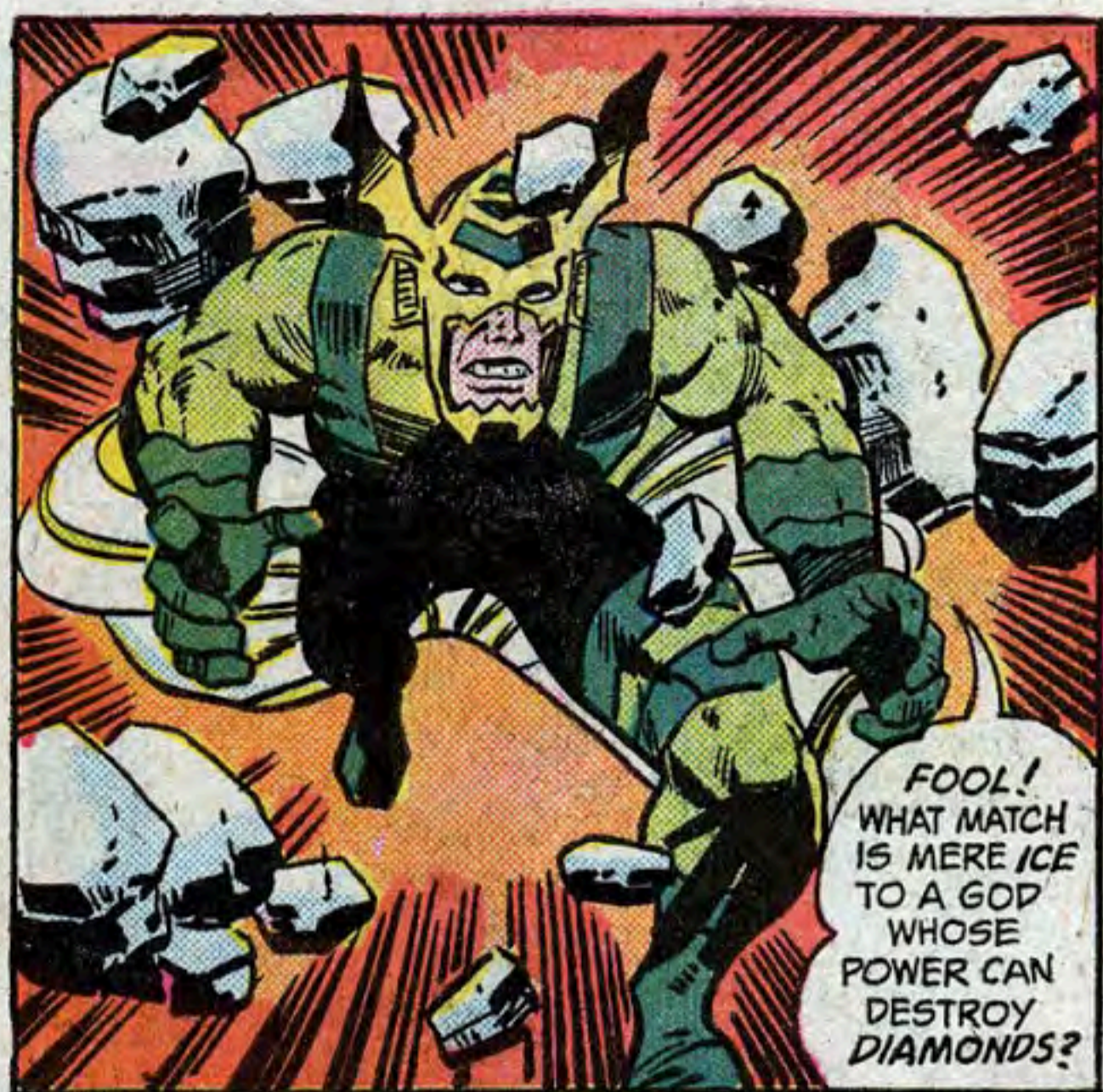
GLADLY,
GREAT
MASTER!

K-POWW

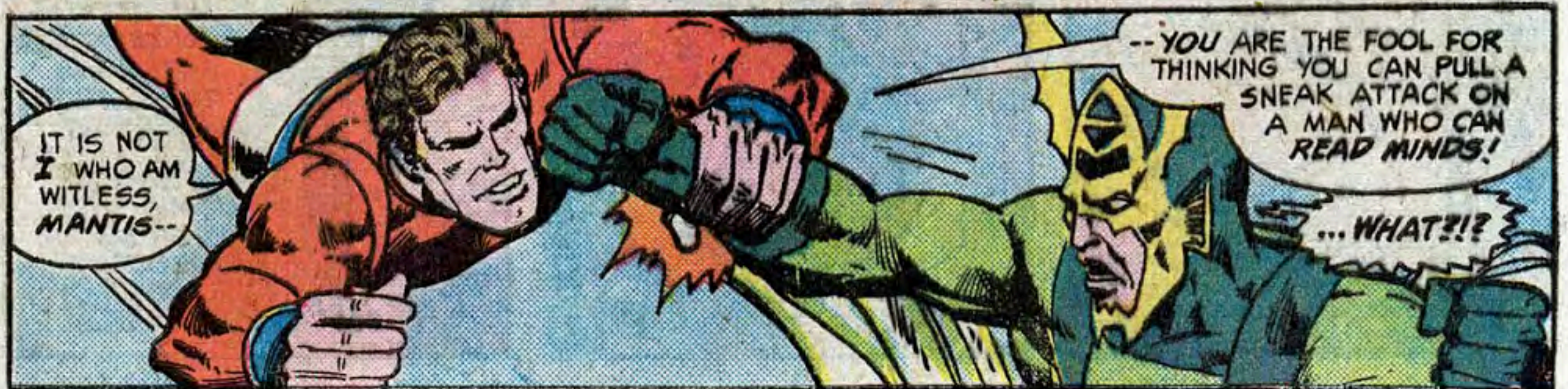
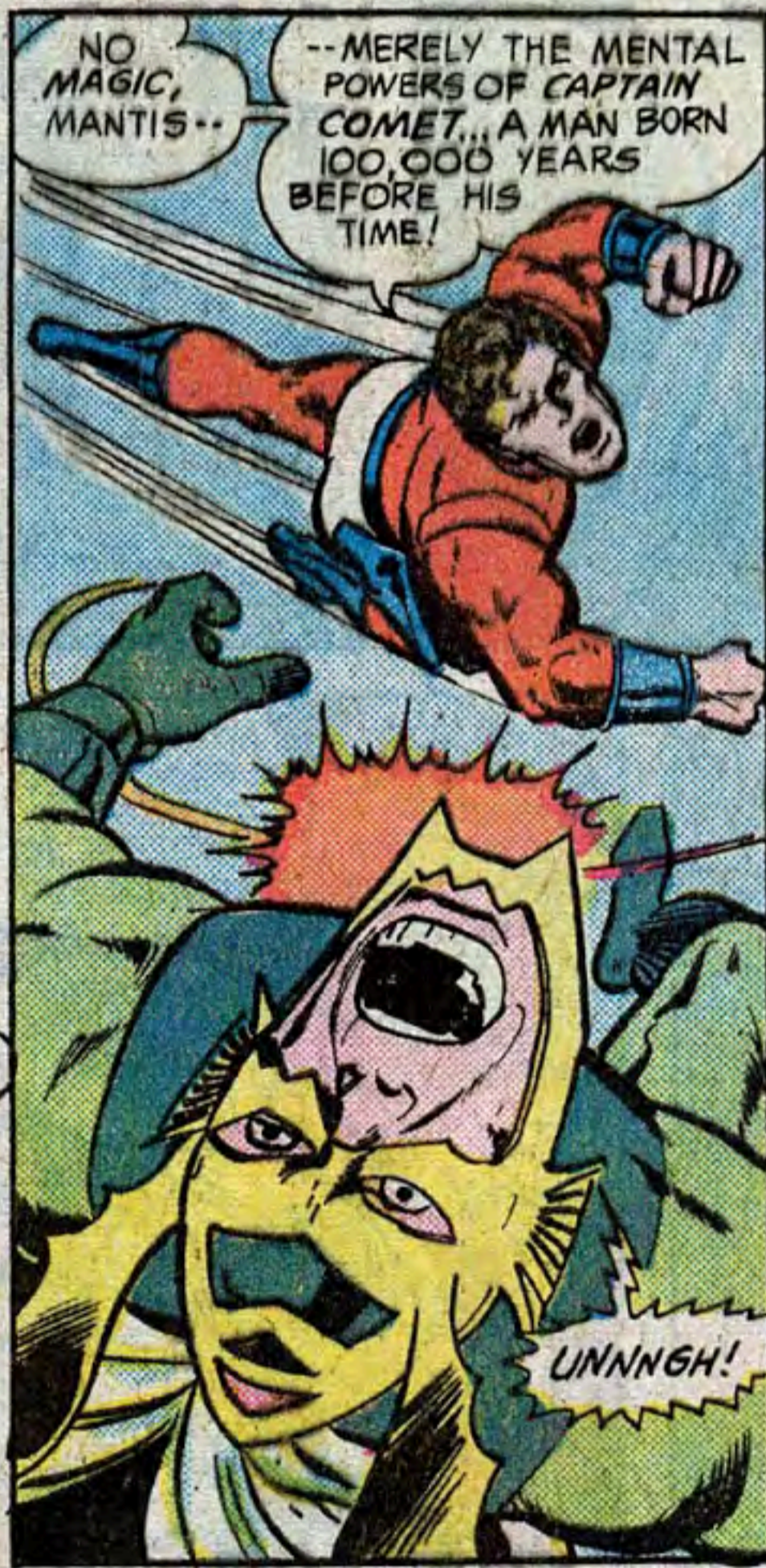
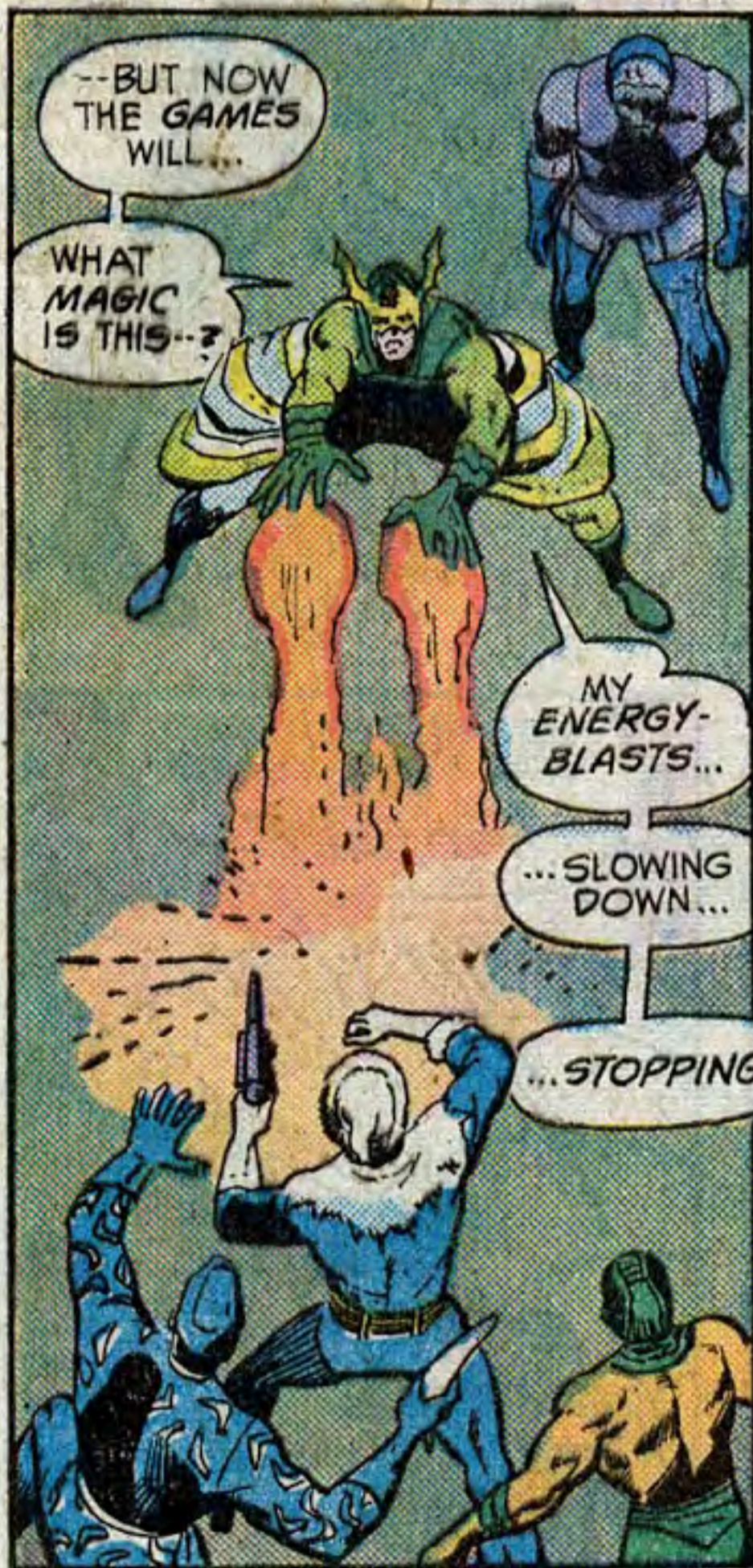


YOU SHALL BE
THE **FIRST**
TO DIE!





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"... INCLUDING A
GOD FROM
APOKOLIPS!"

ENDGAME!

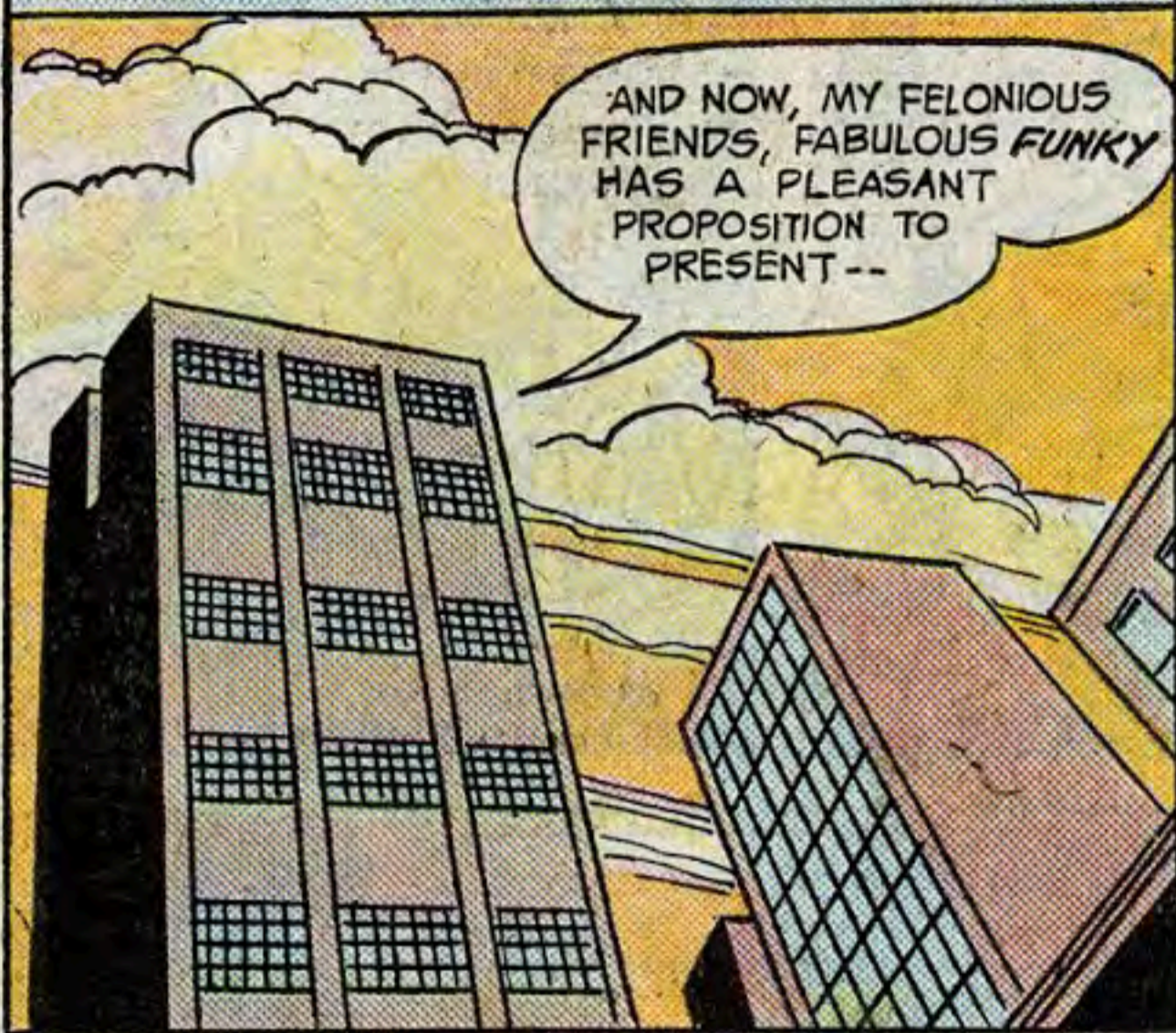
KABARA KAROOOOOM!



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"ENDGAME... PLUS ONE"

AND ON THAT OMINOUS NOTE, WE SWITCH TO TO THE *SINISTER CITADEL*--WHERE *SINESTRO* AND THE *WIZARD* HAVE JUST COME FACE-TO-FACE WITH *FLUNKY FLASHMAN*...



AND NOW, MY FELONIOUS FRIENDS, FABULOUS *FUNKY* HAS A PLEASANT PROPOSITION TO PRESENT--



--MY IN-THE-KNOW ADMIRERS HAVE LONG CLAIMED THAT I AM THE *SALESMAN SUPREME*...

...AND BEING ONE WHO WOULD NEVER DENY OR DISAPPOINT HIS FRANTIC FANS...

... I HAVE ALWAYS SOUGHT NIFTY NEW MARKETS FOR THE MULTIPLICITY OF *MERCHANDISE* I'VE MOVED!



AND NOW-- FOR A LIMITED TIME ONLY, I-- THE FABULOUSLY FAMOUS *FUNKY FLASHMAN*-- CAN BE YOURS!

PLEASE FORGIVE MY IGNORANCE, FRIEND *FUNKY*-- BUT ARE YOU SPEAKING *ENGLISH*?



WHY, MY GOOD MAN-- PLEASE DO NOT *JEST* WHEN I AM ABOUT TO MAKE YOU AN OFFER NO MAN--OR ALIEN, FOR THAT MATTER-- COULD IN HIS RIGHT MIND *REFUSE*!

SLAP!



PLEASE DO NOT MIS-UNDERSTAND MY ESTEEMED COMPANION-- HE IS AFTER ALL A NATIVE OF ANOTHER *WORLD*--

MAKE NO EXCUSES FOR ME, *WIZARD*!

I JUST WISH OUR HOST WOULD, AS YOU EARTHMEN SAY, "*LAY HIS CARDS ON THE TABLE*."



OF COURSE, OF COURSE --HOW FOOLISH I AM NOT TO REALIZE THAT MASTER VILLAINS LIKE YOURSELVES HAVE NO TIME TO *DALLY*--

--THERE ARE *WORLDS* TO BE CONQUERED...



ON THAT NOTE, WE TAKE OUR LEAVE OF THE FRANKLY FANTABULOUS FUNKY FOR NOW... TO RETURN NEXT ISSUE!

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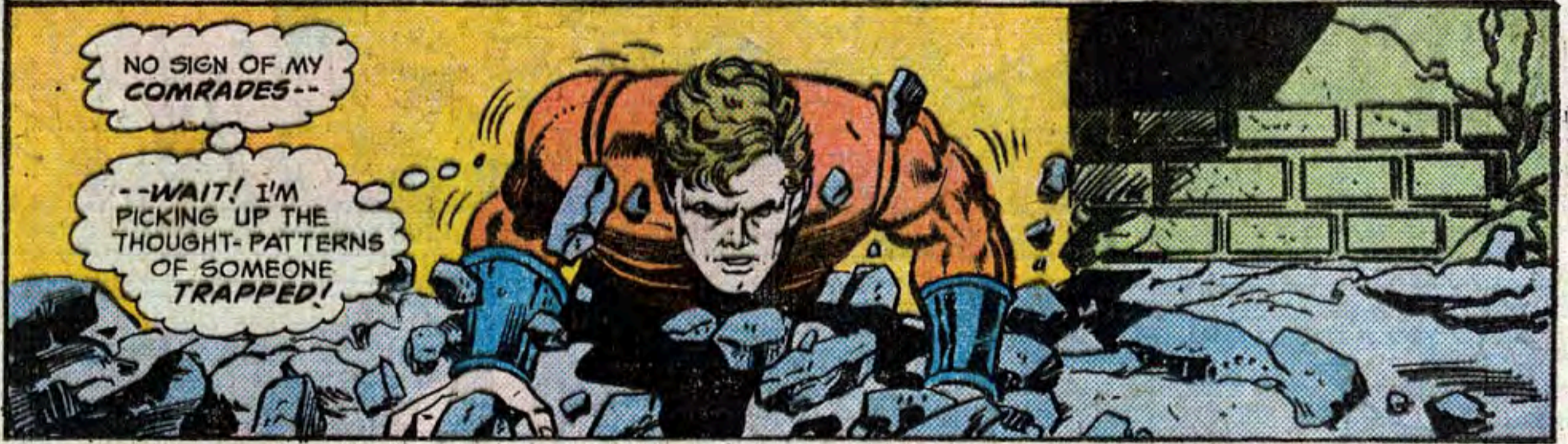
SOME THIRTY MINUTES HAVE PASSED SINCE *DARKSEID* AND *MANHUNTER* DISAPPEARED IN THEIR *BLAST OF GLORY*...



...NOW, FROM THE RESULTANT RUBBLE, A FIGURE STIRS--

NO SIGN OF MY COMRADES--

--WAIT! I'M PICKING UP THE THOUGHT-PATTERNS OF SOMEONE TRAPPED!



CAPTAIN COMET PUTS HIS ENORMOUS STRENGTH TO USE-- AND FINALLY UNEARTHS--



--GREEN LANTERN!

THAT'S THE NAME, FELLA-- AND IF YOU'RE PLANNING TO PUMMEL ME LIKE YOU DID THE LAST TIME WE MET *--



--DON'T WASTE YOUR STRENGTH! JUST PUT ME BACK IN THAT HOLE!

*IN ISSUE #2! --DENNY.

I HAVE NO INTENTION OF CONTINUING THAT BATTLE, LANTERN!

WE ARE ON THE SAME SIDE!



YOU SURE COULDA FOOLED ME!

EVEN A MAN WITH MY POWERS IS CAPABLE OF MAKING A MISTAKE--

--BUT LET'S DISCUSS THAT AFTER WE GET YOU MEDICAL AID! MERELY DIRECT ME TO THE NEAREST HOSPITAL...



DON'T NEED A HOSPITAL--THERE'S A MUCH BETTER PLACE...



"JUSTICE LEAGUE HEADQUARTERS!..."



AND SHORTLY, AT A HASTILY-CALLED MEETING 22,300 MILES ABOVE THE EARTH...



--AND AFTER MANTIS DRAINED MY POWER, HE LEFT ME TO DIE!*

IF NOT FOR CAPTAIN COMET, I'D STILL BE BURIED UNDER THAT RUBBLE!

*YOU SAW IT LAST ISSUE--UNLESS YOU WERE FOOLISH ENOUGH TO MISS IT!--DENNY.



WELL, THE SATELLITE'S COMPUTER GIVES YOU A CLEAN BILL OF HEALTH, CAPTAIN--

--IT VERIFIES THAT YOU WERE OPERATING AS A SUPER-HERO TWENTY YEARS AGO!



WHOOPIE-DOO! SO WHAT ARE WE HERE FOR--TO VOTE HIM INTO THE JLA?

I HAVE NO DESIRE TO JOIN YOUR ORGANIZATION AT PRESENT, GREEN ARROW-- BUT I DO WANT TO WORK WITH YOU!



SINCE THE CAPTAIN MISTOOK ME FOR A VILLAIN, WE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE A GOOD IDEA FOR HIM TO HAVE A "CHAPERONE" FOR AWHILE!

OH, HERE WE GO AGAIN! NOW WE'RE GONNA NURSEMAID A SUPER-HERO HAS-BEEN!



IF YOU DON'T WANT TO HELP HIM-- DON'T! BUT THERE'S ENOUGH CRIME AND CROOKS AROUND THAT WE CAN ALWAYS USE ANOTHER GUY ON OUR TEAM...

...AND I PLAN TO HELP CAPTAIN COMET ANY WAY I CAN!

I AGREE...



...CAPTAIN, ALLOW ME TO GIVE YOU A TOUR OF OUR SATELLITE...

... BEFORE THE HOT AIR MAKES THIS ROOM TOO UNCOMFORTABLE!

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"AND BEGIN ANEW" 000

LATER, WHEN ONLY HAWKMAN AND GREEN LANTERN REMAIN WITH CAPTAIN COMET IN THE SATELLITE...

PERHAPS IT'S FOOLISH OF ME...

...AND I KNOW FROM WORKING WITH THEM THAT THE SUPER-VILLAINS ENJOY OPERATING TOGETHER!

...BUT I FEEL SOMEWHAT RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT!

SO YOU'RE DETERMINED TO TRACK DOWN ALL OF YOUR FORMER ALLIES--?

IT LOOKS GOOD ON PAPER-- BUT IN PRACTICE... GOOD LUCK!

THAT BUNCH IS PROBABLY SPREAD ALL OVER THE COUNTRY-- THE WORLD --BY NOW!

NONETHELESS--

--THAT RED LIGHT! WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

EARTHQUAKE-- IN SAN FRANCISCO...

...AND IT'S A BIGGIE!

DO YOU SEE THAT?



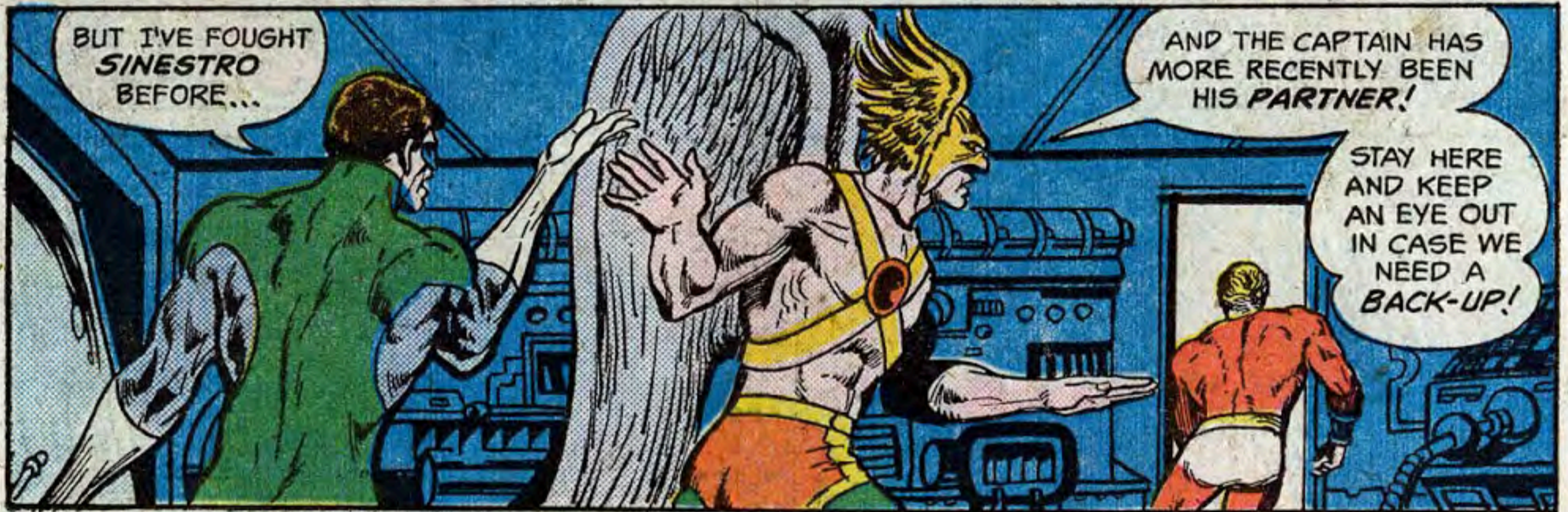
IT'S MY OLD FOE, **SINESTRO**--

-- HE'S CAUSING THE QUAKE!



MIND THE STORE, **HAWKMAN**-- I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT **RENEGADE!**

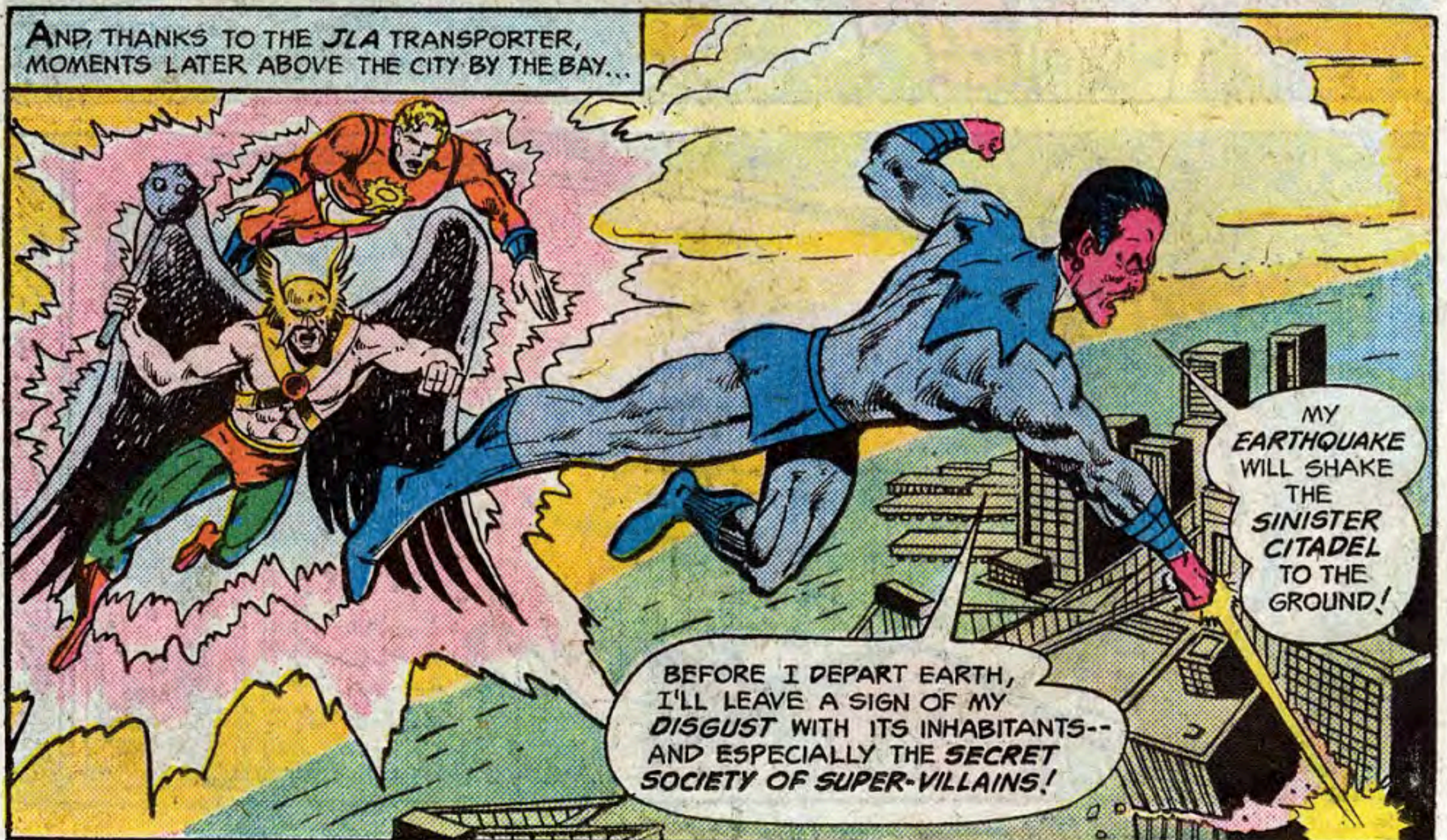
NEED I REMIND THAT YOU ARE ON **MONITOR DUTY**, GREEN LANTERN? **CAPTAIN COMET** AND I WILL HANDLE THIS MATTER!



BUT I'VE FOUGHT **SINESTRO** BEFORE...

AND THE CAPTAIN HAS MORE RECENTLY BEEN HIS **PARTNER!**

STAY HERE AND KEEP AN EYE OUT IN CASE WE NEED A **BACK-UP!**



AND, THANKS TO THE **JLA TRANSPORTER**, MOMENTS LATER ABOVE THE CITY BY THE BAY...

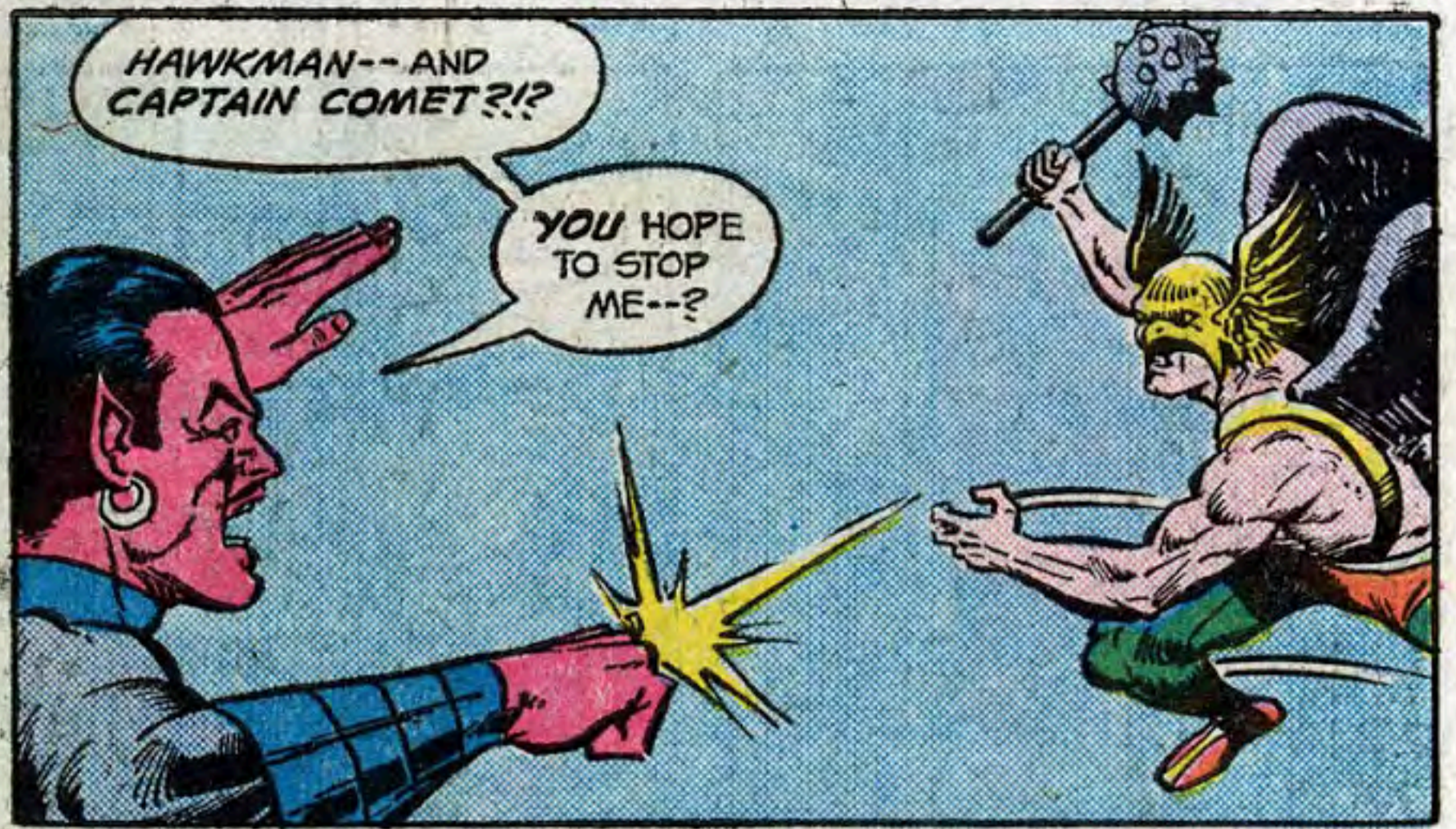
MY **EARTHQUAKE** WILL SHAKE THE **SINISTER CITADEL** TO THE GROUND!

BEFORE I DEPART EARTH, I'LL LEAVE A SIGN OF MY **DISGUST** WITH ITS INHABITANTS-- AND ESPECIALLY THE **SECRET SOCIETY OF SUPER-VILLAINS!**



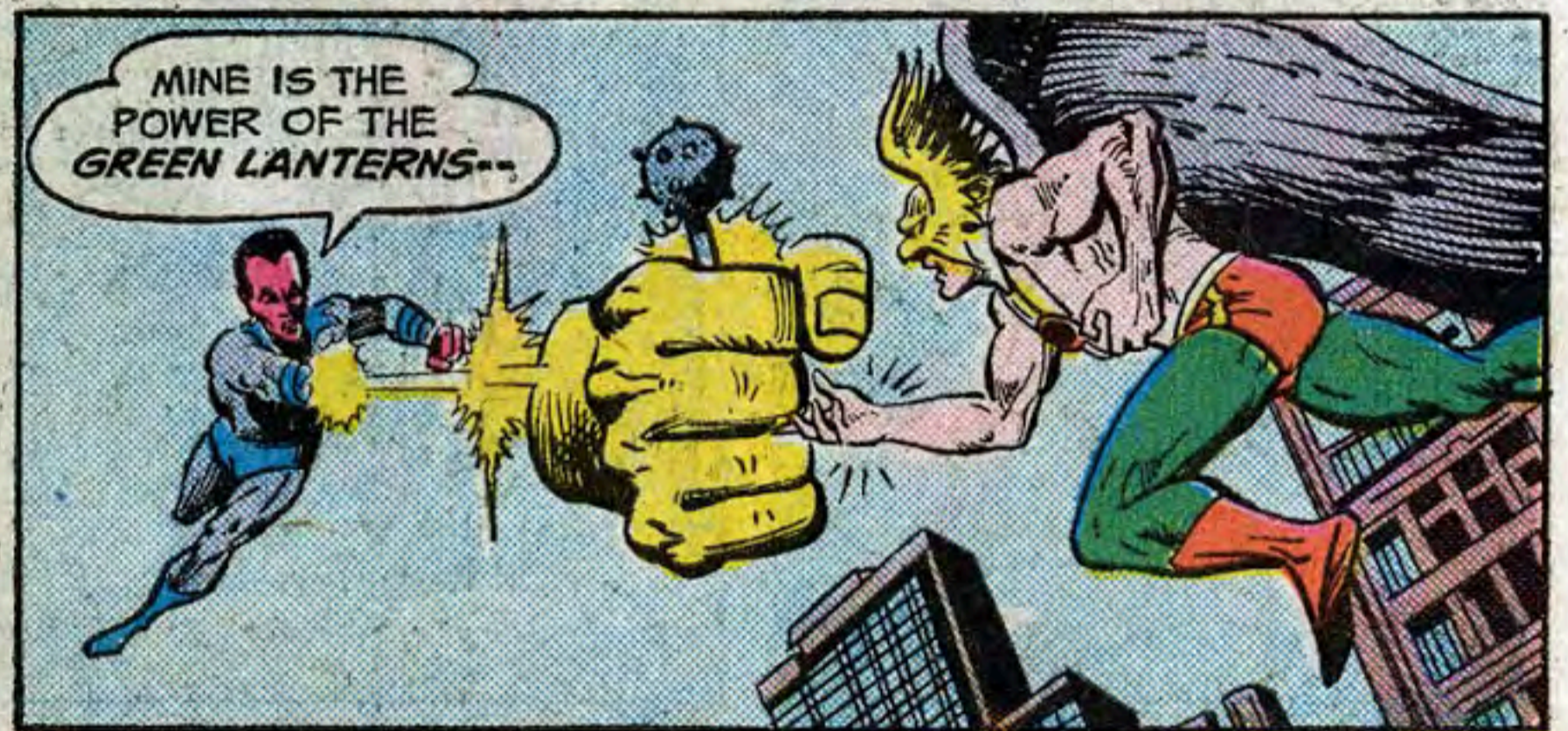
HOLD, VILLAIN!

IT WILL CRUMBLE JUST AS MANHUNTER'S PLANS FOR AN ORGANIZATION-- EH?

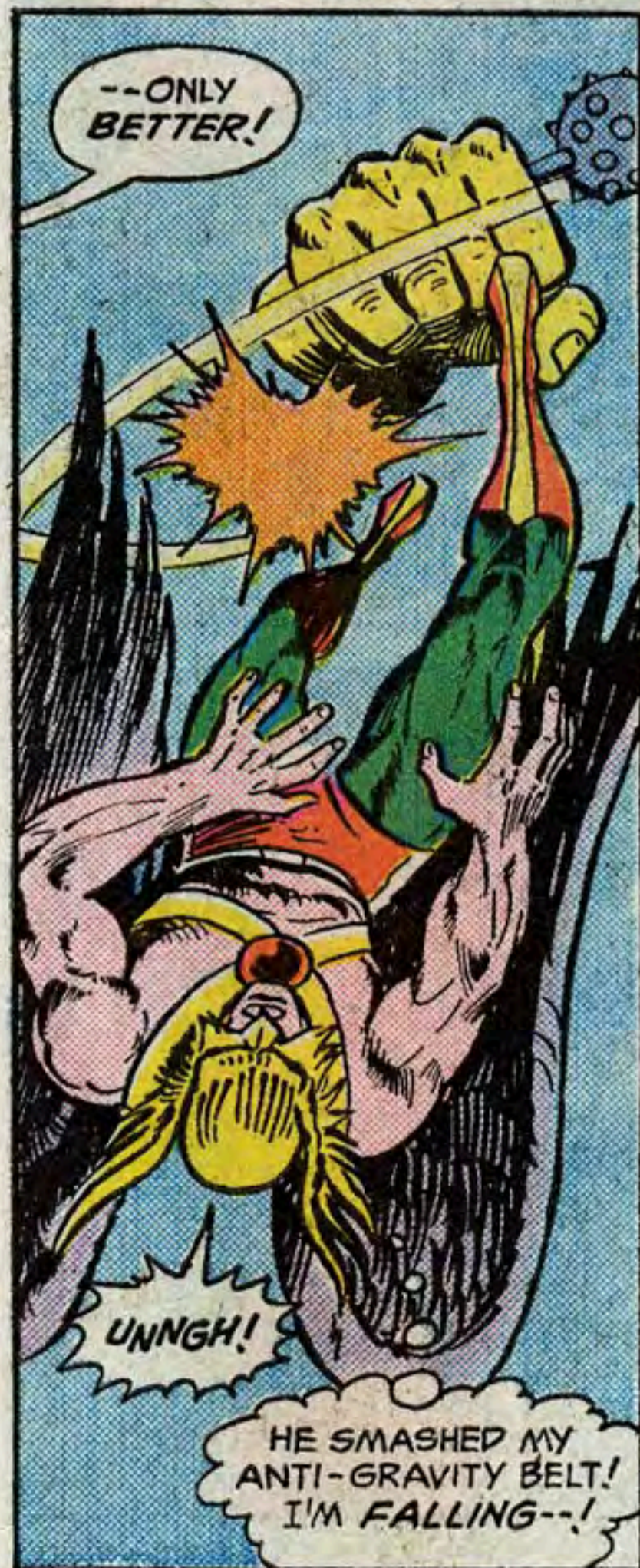


HAWKMAN-- AND CAPTAIN COMET?!?

YOU HOPE TO STOP ME--?



MINE IS THE POWER OF THE GREEN LANTERNS--



--ONLY BETTER!

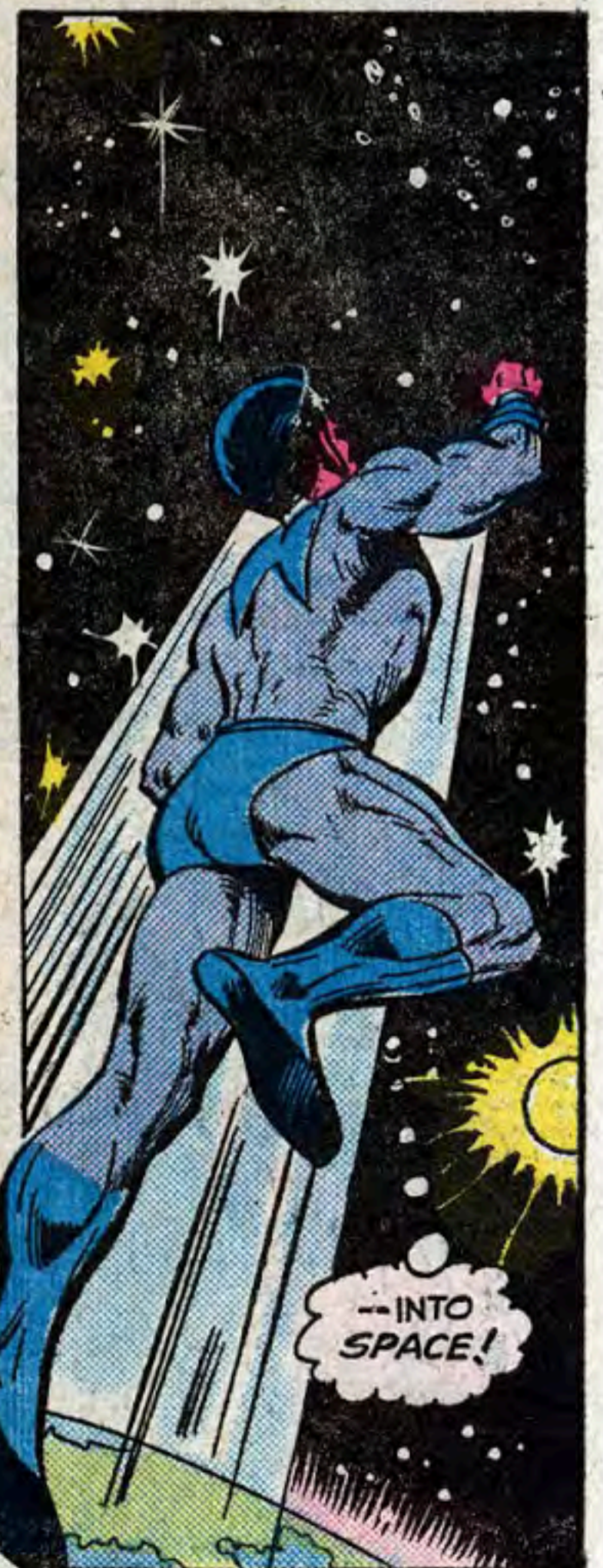
UNNGH!

HE SMASHED MY ANTI-GRAVITY BELT! I'M FALLING--!

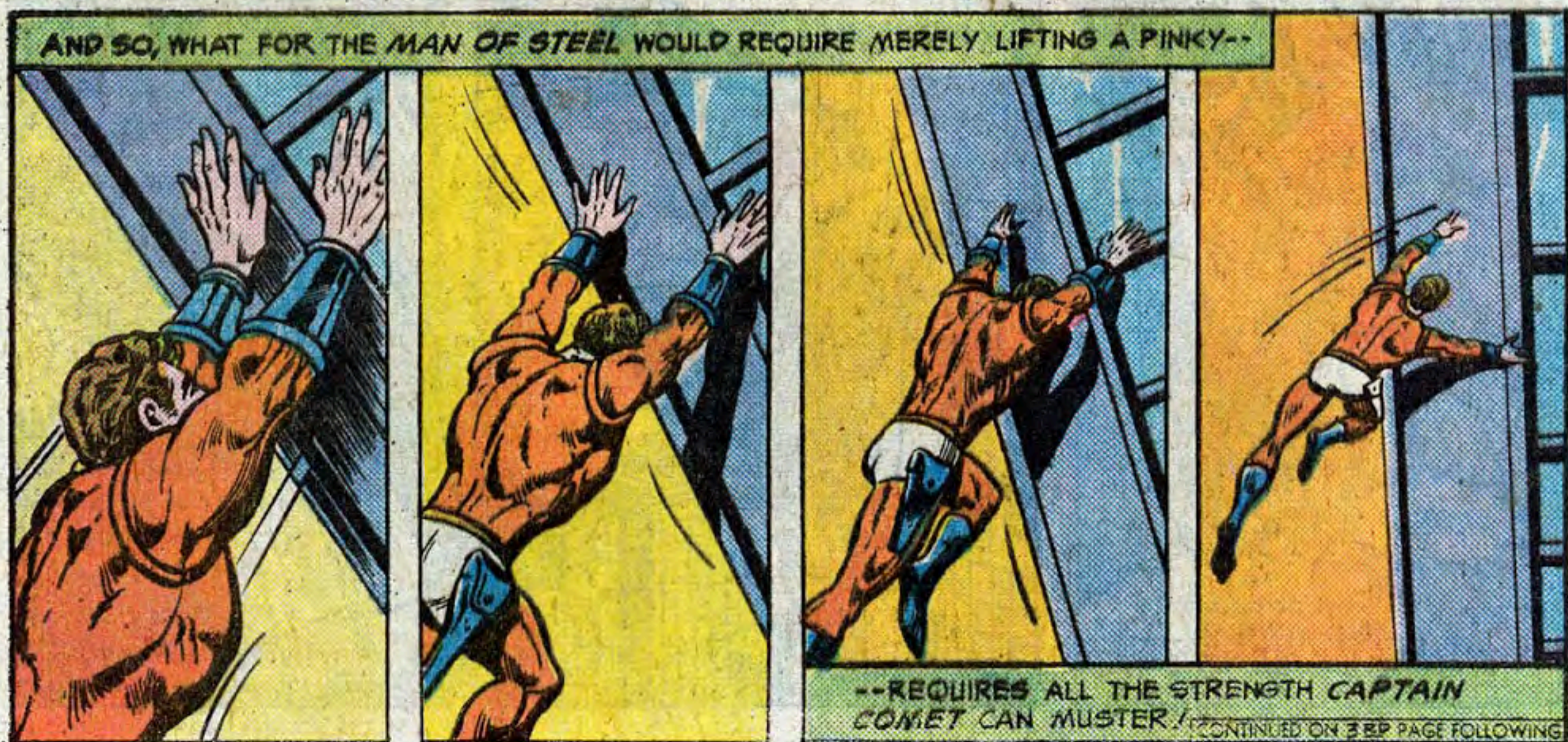
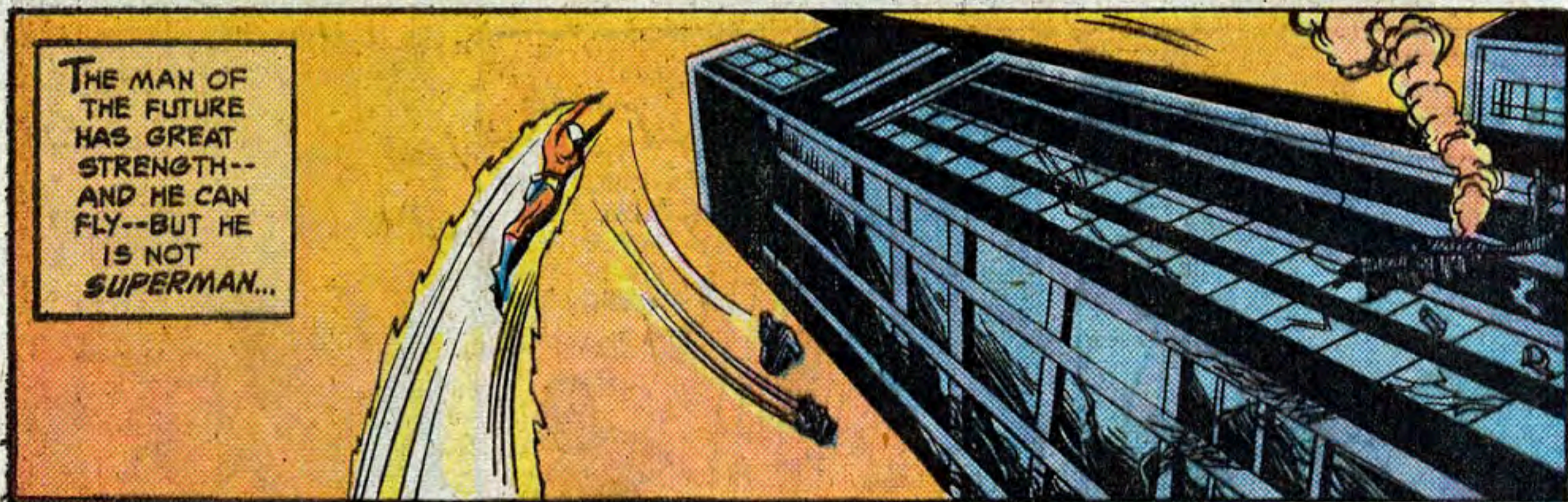


HAWKMAN!

THAT SHOULD KEEP THEM BUSY WHILE I MAKE GOOD MY ESCAPE--



--INTO SPACE!



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I'M BEGINNING TO THINK I SHOULD HAVE LET GREEN LANTERN TAKE THIS ONE--

--WITHOUT MY ANTI-GRAVITY BELT, I'M POWERLESS!



NONSENSE! I DON'T MIND A PASSENGER--

--IF YOU DON'T MIND SOMEBODY ELSE DRIVING!



AND MOMENTS LATER, SOMEWHERE BETWEEN EARTH AND MARS...

AMAZING-- YOU'VE CREATED AN AIR BUBBLE AROUND US SO WE CAN SURVIVE IN AIRLESS SPACE!

IT'S NOTHING REALLY-- JUST A LITTLE TRICK I PICKED UP DURING TWENTY YEARS OF PLANET-HOPPING!



THERE'S OUR QUARRY!
SINESTRO-- SURRENDER...



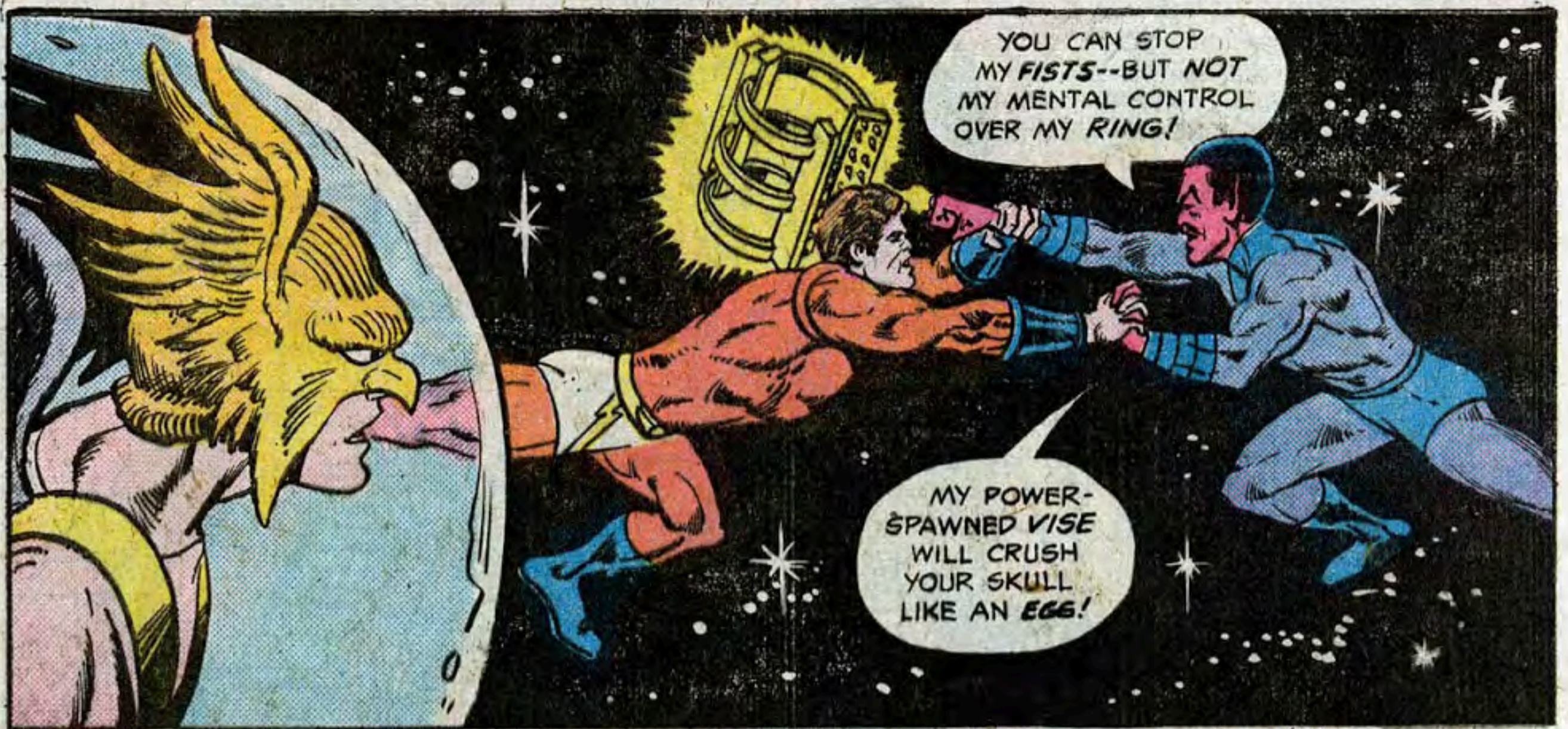
...YOU'VE NO CHANCE OF ESCAPING NOW!



THEN I WON'T TRY TO ESCAPE... UNTIL I'VE BEATEN YOU!



I SHOULD HAVE DONE THIS EARLIER!



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AND THE DEADLY THREAT OF "CAPTAINS CATAclySMIC!"